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FORMER D.B.C. STUDENT KILLED

FAIR PROSPECTS FLATTERING

On the Street

DECATUR Band boys played to another large crowd in a weekly concert. The people like the stirring music, and such events are pleasant socially. The band concert occasions are fine. Would that we had a big centrally located auditorium where the concerts could be continued throut the winter.

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W. M. LOVE, the former Wise county farm agent, has been called to another county prepared to remunerate him well for his services. Last week he spent a week or two of inspection in Ellis county, to which he has been transferred. Returning, he said: "I wish I were just beginning my work in Wise county instead of leaving it. I fear Wise county people do not realize the incomparable opportunity they have for attaining strides in diversified farm industries that may be developed so highly here. Wise county soil types are widely diversified and pave the way for a big program of diversification. With still further development and with water facilities available, it should come to be one of the richest counties in the state."

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LOUISE Ross, flapper extraordinary, chic and charming, born companion of the members of the desperate gang who have come to grief after a season of lawlessness, is in the hands of the law, occupying a cell in the Denton county jail. Miss Louise was in the Martin home when state rangers and the militia staged the siege and shelled out the gang that had taken refuge in the house, and when the surrender came, she led the gang from the Martin home, hands up, and between smiles, puffed a cigarette. Louise is a stepper, an advanced type of the modern female cut-up. A few short years ago, she started her career by parading the streets, and being a "good fellow" with the rounders at cold drink stands and the village night riders. She was called a "good sport" by her companions, and under the bright lights she developed rapidly, and this week she figured in the Federal courts where the gang was tried. Denton sheriff moved in visitors by sheets on her.

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NOT Lorin Prophet Jr. in the Groveton community was shopping in the city on Tuesday, and while making the rounds, dropped into the Messenger office. "What about a good ground soaking rain, Professor?" the editor asked. With an air of one who sniffs something from afar, the prophet seated himself near the electric fan and proceeded with the following weather prediction: "From all indications at the present time and according to the doings of Saturn and the Moon, we can expect a precipitation above the gentle rain order about September 28th, 29th or 30th in Alaska and the northwestern portion of Washington and Half Breed British Columbia, a drouth will set in that will." The professor was not allowed to finish the sentence, as we declared something nearer home and the like, so confine his predictions to Wise county. Well, we cautioned the people and will take care of the rain at my charts and let you know something really definite concerning Wise county's low crops. But, don't be a bit surprised if the clouds open copiously between the 28th and the 30th of this month.

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SOME young lady and a child while passing from one to the local street corners to another Saturday morning were hit by a thrown football, and a little latter a traveling man, while returning to the hotel by this street corner, was struck on the hand, and frequently during the day farmers driving across this corner of the square were compelled to stop their wagons to allow small boys to complete a football play. A Decatur citizen witnessing this, has asked the question if it would not be safer and saner, and afford a better protection to the boys against accidents, if the public square was roped off and turned into a playing field, and warning the public, such as country people and town citizens, who may have business with the merchants to enter and leave by the alleys. Of course, pedestrians are expected to be on the dodge as balls are being tossed on the sidewalks, and no great danger of serious injury is present, but if something is not done to protect the players who use the streets and square, some boy may suffer an injury by being run down by a farmer's wagon or car. The farmers and town citizens should be warned to be careful, and if they refuse the warning banish them from the streets and the square, and make 'em take to the alleys.

SHOT DOWN AS STOLEN GOODS ARE RECOVERED

Two Robbers Also Shot in Archer County Pistol Battle

Harrison Ikard, former student in Decatur Baptist College, sheriff of his home county, and one of the best known peace officers in Northwest Texas, was shot and instantly killed Tuesday night in a gun battle with three desperadoes a short distance south of Megargle in Archer county.

Ikard, with his two deputies, had trailed the men who were charged with burglary and theft of between $1,500 worth of cigarettes and tobacco were taken. The stolen goods had been secreted near the town of Megargle and Sheriff Ikard and his men left trailed the robbers to the place where the goods were cached, and the gun battle opened when the officers came upon the men. Sheriff Ikard was shot with a pistol, the bullet striking a belt buckle and ricocheting, causing instant death.

Two of the gang suspected of the burglary were killed in the fight, the third making escape, but later arrested at Megargle. The men killed by the officers are Charles Crabtree and Frank Looney.

Ikard was a graduate of Decatur College, finishing during the last term Rev. W. C. Carver was president of the school, and he is remembered by a number of former students. County Tax Collector Phillips had a distant relative of Ikard. He was a brother of Mrs. Jess Combs.

Rumors of Decatur's Cotton Market Untrue

The open season for the circulation of the hoary old joke about the town just over yonder paying the better prices if cotton has arrived. It is a very peculiar proceeding. Most every market in the country is tied down to a limit which dictates about what it shall pay for street cotton, and the operation of the ruling market price, wholly beyond the control of the local factor, established a fair uniformity as between town markets. Anybody who knows anything about the cotton market knows this to be true.

There are exceptional cases, of course, where some emergency like the existence of a debt induces a buyer to make a little better price as a matter of protection. Even such cases of the protection of accounts is rare, but they are not too rare to be made the basis of slanderous reports involving the good name of a town to fote fair with its farmer producers by paying them all the market will justify for their cotton.

The record of yearly receipts in the years good and bad will show that Decatur has been a favored market on the pit of farmers and this reputation can not be made to suffer by any scandalous rumors put temporarily in circulation.

Pains of conscience are not very acute while the fun is going on.

EFFORT IS MADE TO BLOCK ALLEY

We understand that members of the city council have in consideration the closing to automobile traffic of the narrow alley between the Mann and Tilghman Davis residences which school children have a made a habit of using in going and returning from school. It occurs to us as being a prudent idea and it is to be hoped the council will act promptly in the matter. It is only of late years that automobile drivers have taken a fancy to this narrow and dangerous driveway which shortens the route slightly between the main part of town and the high school section. There are two other streets which the autoists might use to reach that end of town if they were of a mind to go so the one running south from the Methodist church and the other running south from its intersection with East Main street near the Burch place.

We are informed that several narrow escapes from injury or possible death have occurred in the narrow roadway under question and that the mothers of school children have become badly frightened as a consequence. Certainly it were better to slightly inconvenience drivers of cars by closing the road to them than to have some frightful tragedy resulting from leaving the road open to the use of both children and cars.

An old-fashioned all pull together effort on the part of both the town and country citizens will be essential to having the right kind of a Wise County Fair. A fair is a big thing in its ramifications and affords room and place for everybody to perform his or her part of work. The fair should appeal to and arouse a sense of the obligations of citizenship. Any way you take it, it is worth all we put into it.

W. M. Love Left for Ellis County as Agent

W. M. Love, whose appointment as county farm agent to Ellis county has been announced, is a straightforward, sincere worker in Wise county during the past three years. He has made a host of warm friends all over the county who dislike seeing him leave. Among a throng of club boys who have worked under his direction, he has built up for himself in their esteem a most respectable regard. He has been their friend, and at all times they have been responsive to his wish, and he has wished for them the best attainments possible in the great quest of acquiring knowledge of the better agriculture.

Mr. Love has never made the mistake of trying to teach the people how to farm, but has performed well the office of intermediary between the college and experimental stations for purveying information concerning better and more economic methods. Among the mature farmers of Wise county he has many friends who have been beneficiaries of his assistance, and on whom in turn they have bestowed their confidence. They would have been pleased if Mr. Love could have stayed and worked with them in Wise county.

What it is said for us we can appraise when it is said for others we call it flattery.

In spite of the reward of $2500 each for dead bandits, the bankers associations have not needed any extra paying tellers to cash them in.

MANY FLEE FROM HOUSE AS RAID CONDUCTED

Pre-Volstead Days Are Recalled as Blacks Stage Big Ball

Officers from the sheriff's department raided a negro dance on the Fuqua farm, east of Rhome, Saturday night, and arrested eight of the participants, three women and five men, and they were docketed to appear on charges of possessing and selling intoxicating liquors.

The "hop" was at its height, and everything was merry as bells, when the officers entered and endeavored to corral the bunch of blacks, but they scattered to the four winds, and only eight were taken.

One big healthy black woman was acting in the role of bar-keeper, dispensing a bad grade of home-made beer, while in another room a saddle-colored buck was handing out liquor at twenty-five cents per drink. Several of the dancers were in a happy frame of mind, having been to the bars a number of times, and a hilarious time was in the making when the officers stepped in.

Farmers in that section say that some of their negro hands did not show up for work until late Monday morning, having become lost in their flight from the law. One of the negroes taken in the raid, who seemed to be the obsessed of all the negro women observers, said he was an employee of the Bowles mills at Fort Worth, and entered a protest at having his liberties curtailed. He was brought to jail.

Sheriff Workman and Deputy Sheriff George Gage conducted the raid, and were assisted by Messrs. Coe, Bostick and City Officer Richey.

New Tin Shop Will Be Real Decatur Asset

Work on the new tin shop which will upon its completion be occupied by Beckham and Son, one block south and one block east of the public square, is progressing nicely, and the building will probably be completed in the next two weeks. The structure is of concrete.

The growth of this local firm has been so rapid that new and larger quarters are necessary to take care of the business. The new building will be quite an asset to the business houses of the city.

"I'VE NEVER ADVERTISED IN TWENTY YEARS"

Yes, I'll admit times are dull, but how can you hope for the turn of the tide? Waiting for their ships to come in has pulled disaster for too many merchants. Don't think along the line of least resistance. Advertise!

Advertising in the Messenger keeps your name and store constantly before the people of the town. Advertising is a tonic to business, builds force and profitable trade. Talk it over with us.

PROGRESSIVE MERCHANTS ADVERTISE

LEONARD STORE ROBBERS FOUND

When the Leonard jewelry store, in the Masonic building, was robbed one night last January, the burglars, seemingly covered up their tracks left for parts unknown. Investigations were conducted by the sheriff's department quietly, but the public knew nothing, and it believed that the guilty had made good their escape, and the affair had almost been forgotten by Decatur citizens, when this week it became known that two of the men, alleged to have committed the crime, were in the Wise county jail.

Some days ago, Deputy Sheriff George Gage quietly left town, going to Memphis, where he arrested Melvin Whitis, and a few days later Sheriff Workman went to Forney, arrested Lonnie Alexander, two members of the gang that staged the spectacular burglary of the jewelry establishment. The officers are looking for another young man.

The Leonards' store show window was broken, and a hole large enough for a man to put his hand thru was made in the glass, and several hundred dollars worth of jewelry, consisting of watches, chains, etc. were taken. The robbery was discovered the next morning when Mr. Leonard opened the store.

The following month Mr. Leonard disappeared, and it is charged that he took a number of watches belonging to customers. Some days later Leonard was reported to have sailed for South America in company with a lady friend of Fort Worth. A short time ago Leonard was reported back in Fort Worth, but a thore search of the city failed to locate him, and recently he was said to be in New York, engaged in peddling cheap jewelry from trays on the street car.

Henrietta Men Visit in County to Study Stock

Last Thursday secretary and the Henrietta Chamber of Commerce, Farmers County Farm Agent McNeal and County Superintendent McDonald of this county, made a special visit to Decatur investigate phases of the dairy and poultry enterprises as they are in operation here.

They were shown about the city by Cliff Cates, secretary of the chamber of commerce, one of the places visited being the farm of Ray Stocks, near town. The visitors were highly pleased with the fine animals found on Mr. Stocks' place, reporting them to register among the best on their experience in the state.

The gentlemen were surprised to have the rumor confirmed that Wise county is the dairy leader of the section, and that the poultry business had made such strides. They reported having nothing akin to it in the vicinity of Henrietta, but were secretly feeling the need of it. They were advised that one of the best ways to start something of the kind is to get back home and put on some kind of an agricultural and livestock fair and exhibit which stimulates interest in the subject.

Cotton Acreage Reduced

Cotton acreage in Wise county is being reduced this year, according to reports made to the county farm agent's office. Many farmers have already planted a great deal of attention to other crops. Feed patches have been increased, and livestock has been added to the farms. Orchards have been made to do a part of the county for participation in the event as well as all departments of the fair. Nothing will be left undone to afford benefit and pleasure to the big crowds that come from near and far.

PREMIUM LISTS FOR EXHIBITORS NOW COMPLETE

Committees Diligent in Making Two Days Worth While

Some of the best committee work ever expended in connection with the holding of a Wise County Fair has been invested during the last several days in connection with preparations for the fourth annual Wise County Street Fair that is to be held in Decatur Friday and Saturday, October 9th and 10th.

The premium list has been completed and will soon be off the press and ready for broadcast circulation. It carries many nice offerings for all the things that are shown on occasions of the kind. It is hoped that this bid working hand in hand with the common sentiment of loyalty and patriotism of the county will induce a hearty co-operation and response on the part of everybody to bring exhibits to the fair and work in every way possible for its success.

Just because it is an acknowledged difficult year in which to make a show it for no other reason should induce everybody to do his utmost to make a representative and successful occasion. Already a considerable amount of farm products of the several departments and of livestock and poultry have been promised for exhibit and people may come with the expectation of seeing some of the best specimens of the kind.

A wealth of material is being contributed for the entertainment scheduled, the executive committee which will be most busy and determined to see that events have a way attracted a great deal of attention and will be free of objectors and Wise County Fair patrons have a free day, free from all spectators, but in the exhibits. Overtures have been made to all parts of the county for participation in the event as well as all departments of the fair. Nothing will be left undone to afford benefit and pleasure to the big crowds that come from near and far and to attend on these occasions.

Following further work of the committees prosecuted this week a detailed announcement will be ready for next week.

One of the best offerings in connection with the approaching fair is that announced by the Tennessee Dairies Company, who propose to give to a Wise county farm boy an aristocratic pure blooded heifer out of the fine herd of Ray Stocks, as a reward of honor for winning in a dairy stock judging contest that will be held during the fair. Announcement of this event should be looked up as they will appear in the county papers and in the general circular advertising the fair. Every farm boy between the ages of ten and eighteen who desires to contest for this prize should begin to brush up on his judging faculties, for this will a prize that any boy should pride to own. The animal is well worth one hundred and twenty-five dollars and is already a breed to an outstanding sire. The offer is open to all farm boys between the ages mentioned.

As the anti-saloon league figures the Virginia primaries, Virginia Byrd is a swallow.

Denton Officers Help Wise County Raiders

Deputy Sheriffs Nick Akin, John Brock, Standlee Roberts and J. H. Kerbow assisted officers of Wise county in making a whiskey raid Tuesday afternoon on the Earl Wardlow place that resulted in the arrest of Wardlow on a charge of possession of intoxicating liquor. The officers here received information that led them to believe the place was in Denton county and secured a search warrant here, but when they got to the vicinity of the place they found it was in Wise county and telephoned the sheriff's office at Decatur to send men to meet them and to bring a search warrant with them. The raid resulted in finding a quart of whiskey under the edge of a straw stack. Deputy Sheriff Akin said.—Denton Record-Chronicle.

Church of Christ.

There will be preaching at the Church of Christ at Decatur Sunday, September 27th at eleven o'clock in the morning and at seven in the evening by Earl A. Collins of Fort Worth.

Bible classes will be given at ten. There will also be preaching at the Salvation church at three-thirty in the afternoon. Everybody is invited to attend.

Decatur Sends Usual Quota to Big Schools

Decatur has its usual quota of students at the various schools of the state. Among those who are attending the College of Industrial Arts at Denton are Misses Mary Frank Bell and Mary Elaine Bell. They are both Freshmen and are taking Home Economics. Miss Bell is a graduate of the Decatur high school.

Farm Boys and Girls to Have Practice Judging

Practice judging contests for boys and girls will be held in connection with the Wise County Fall Fair, it was announced today by Miss Lucile Hall, county home demonstration agent. Boys will be given an opportunity to judge corn, cotton, poultry and livestock, while girls will be given practice in judging canned products, garments and poultry. Prizes will be awarded to the winners in the contests.

W. C. T. U. Elects Mrs. H. L. Jones President

D. B. C. Has Unusual Number Late Studes

Of special interest to the Decatur College authorities this week has been a very noticeable heavy enrollment at that place of "second week" students. Messenger having learned that it is the largest number that has ever come in for the second week in the school's history.

The added boost in enrollment comes hand-in-hand with the realization that this year's entire student body seems to be of a sounder mind than heretofore; a more serious purpose seems to prevail, and there are practically no "quitters" according to a faculty member.

Football material was added this week by the new students appearing, the number of men reporting for the work on the gridiron now being over thirty. There are three new recruits this week who will make excellent stays for the line, we are told.

Kenny Asks Support Merchants in Parade

Chairman E. M. Kenny of parade committee for the Wise County Fall Fair has asked the Messenger's assistance in stirring up the interest of local merchants in the proposition of floats and exhibits in the parade. A parade will be held each morning of the fair at eleven o'clock. Cash for 5th and 10th and plaks are in the rush for the largest representative parade that has ever been staged in the county seat.

Two Drunk Motorists Taken in by Kennedy

Two strangers, traveling in a Ford car, were arrested one night recently by Motor Cop Kennedy on the Meridian highway. They appeared to be under the influence of strong drink, and after he had taken them in tow, the motor cop called Nightwatch Brown to assist in getting them to jail. While Kennedy, astride his motorcycle, was piloting the way to the jail, Nightwatch Brown was on the running board of the Ford car, driven by one of the strangers. When the square was reached, Kennedy turned into the street leading to the jail, but the car, with the drinking men and Brown, took into an other street.

Kennedy states that his first thought when he discovered the car was not following, was that the men were attempting to kidnap the night watch. When found, on West Main street, by the motor cop, Brown had prevailed on the men to stop the car. The pair went to jail and next morning appeared before Squire Bruce.

Three Stores in Slidell Robbed Tuesday Night

Three stores in Slidell were burglarized Tuesday night and a large quantity of goods stolen. The burglars entered the town in an automobile, and after loading up with meat, tobacco, wearing apparel, tubes and tires, left for parts unknown.

The stores of Watson, Carroll and Adkins were robbed.

A bee may live as long as sixty-eight hours after losing its stinger in stinging a person, but the average period is from ten to fifteen hours.

IT DRIVES OUT WORMS

The surest sign of worms ... palenes, lack of ... ness, variable ... nose and ... the system ... White's Cream ... drives out ... one on the ... Cream Vermifuge ... years of success ... EAGLE DRUG HOUSE — Decatur

FOR SALE!

My entire stock of Groceries and store fixtures.

H. L. Jones

N. W. Cor. Square Decatur, Texas

CROP MONEY IS COMING IN

and we sincerely hope, for your sake, that it isn't all going right out again—that some of it will be held over as a safeguard against the many things that require money before another harvest rolls by.

May we suggest that a bank account is one of the safest and most profitable places for those extra dollars.

THE CITY NATIONAL BANK

DECATUR, TEXAS

"There Is No Substitute for Safety"

"PEP UP" YOUR APPEARANCE WITH A—

New Fall Hat or Cap!

For Fall every man should be sporting something "snappy" in headgear. A hat that will reflect his energetic disposition. One that will clearly emphasize his features and give him that "peppy" "spiffy" alert appearance.

Sell Us Your Old Hat or Cap!

starting Friday, and continuing until Saturday, October 3, we will allow you 50c credit on any new hat or cap in our store, for any hat or cap, regardless of condition, that you will bring to us during the date of this special offer only.

We have the famous Backskin Felt and Lakewood brands for your selection from our splendid array of attractive models. Felts, Beavers, Velours. Blocked and shaped in many appealing styles. In Autumn's favored shades—greens, tans, grays, powder blues, and special blends. All sizes—and they're very reasonably priced too—from $2.75 up to $7.60. See them.

Our line of Samart caps are priced from $1.50 to $3.00. All sizes.

THESE PRICES ARE OUR REGULAR STANDARD PRICES

Hardwick & Dickson

TAILORS—HABERDASHERS

BIG QUIT BUSINESS Sale!

Below we give you a few prices from our hardware store to present an idea of the exceptionally low prices that prevail now for your bnefit. Everything in the store must go, regardless of the prices

Shotgun Shells by the Case.

12-gauge Repeater shells, chilled	$18.50
12-gauge Repeater shells, soft	$17.50
12-gauge Ranger, smokeless	$14.20
16-gauge Repeater shells, chilled	$18.00
16-gauge New Black shells	$13.00

Community 50-Year Silver.

Tea spoons, regular $7.20 value	$5.75
Dessert spoons, regular $7.00 value	$5.50
Dessert spoons, regular $3.25 value	$2.50
Dessert forks, regular $5.75 value	$4.75
Coffee spoons, regular $3.75 value	$2.98
12-piece set, $13.50 value	$11.50

Austrian Gold Band China Dishes.

Soup plates, $4.75 value	$3.75
Fruit dishes, $4.00 value	$3.00
Cups and saucers, $4.75 value	$3.75
Dinner plates, $4.50 value	$3.70
Salad plates, $4.00 value	$3.15
Cups and saucers, $4.50 value	$3.70
Bread and butter plates	$1.50
Breakfast cups and saucers	$1.50
$1.00 water glasses	60c

Savings on Shelf Hardware.

$3.50 [illegible]	$3.00
$3.25 [illegible]	$2.70
$2.75 [illegible]	$1.75
50c [illegible]	30c
$1.65 quality hammers	$1.10
$1.25 [illegible] belts	80c
5-8 [illegible] garden hose	$5.00

Furnishings for the Home.

Sears New Home sewing machines	$10.00
$52.00 Perfection oil cook stove	$42.00
$60.00 Kerosene Action cook stoves	$50.00
$50.00 Perfection Action cook stoves	$41.00
$60.00 Sears coal and wood cook stoves	$45.00
$37.50 Sears 7-cubic refrigerator	$29.50
$68.50 Frigidaire refrigerator	$50.00
$1.00 [illegible] selling now for	50c
$3.75 house paint, for only	$3.25
$32.50 radio set, complete	$23.60
$45.00 radio set, complete	$33.70
$189.00 radio set, complete	$1.50

Remarkable Savings in Our Buggies and Wagons and All Implements.

LILLARD & COMPANY

—The Winchester Store—

CLASSIFIED ADVS.

One Cent per Word

FOR SALE

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—Two furnished or unfurnished rooms; private entrance both front and back.—LORY D WHITE, Bell phone 78, Decatur (29)

REVISED SCHEDULE OF DENVER PASSENGER TRAINS.

South Bound.

W. Falls	Decatur	Ft. Worth	Dallas
1:30 pm	3:50 pm	5:10 pm	6:45 pm
2:00 am	4:32 am	6:00 am	7:45 am
8:00 am	10:31 am	11:50 am	

North Bound.

Dallas	Ft. Worth	Decatur	W. Falls
8:30 am	9:45 am	11:28 am	1:55 pm
11:00 pm	12:15 am	2:06 am	4:40 am
	6:45 pm	8:09 pm	10:30 pm

LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. H. H. Trussell was in Cleburne last week, visiting relatives.

Trula Sensibaugh of Bridgeport, was in Decatur first of the week.

George C. Brown has purchased the W. M. Sanders home in South Decatur.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Workman were in Wills Point last week-end visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. A. J. Shelton is in Wichita Falls, visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. B. Allison, for several days.

Mrs. A. C. Saunders of Austin, was the guest of her friend, Mrs. W. W. Boyd, last week-end in Decatur.

Messrs. P. R. Baits and L. C. Boyd were in Yoakum county last week, looking after their land interests.

Miss Eula Mae Watts was in Mineral Wells Sunday visiting Miss Zoah Baits, who formerly resided here.

Mrs. Bascom Renshaw of Hillsboro, has been the guest of her mother, Mrs. Lizzie Renshaw, for several day.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Evans of Wichita Falls, have been in the county for several days, visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Tumulty, Mr. Bart Cook and Phil Tumulty were visiting with relatives and friends in Bowie Sunday.

Listen, folks. Bring all the good looking horses forward and all the good looking riders to take a part in the fair parade.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Spencer this week moved to their home in Northwest Decatur, from the Crawford place near the old light plant.

Mrs. Hattie Robinson and children left first of the week for their home in Los Angeles, California, after visiting relatives here for several week.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Lillard, who is attending Texas Woman's College in Fort Worth, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Lillard.

Mrs. D. V. Northcut and children, Mrs. A. S. Brown and Miss Ida Jeter of Frisco were Decatur visitors last week-end with the family of Mrs. A. Jeter, Sr.

Gene Eads, farmer resident of these parts, was in Decatur Tuesday and Wednesday en route to Baylor University, where he will attend law in fall and winter.

Mrs. Lyda Hughes and family this week moved to Decatur from their place three miles north of town. They are occupying the Hubert Long home in Southeast Decatur.

Messrs. John Scott and Barnes Shoemaker are this week on business in West Texas. They are making the trip in a new Marmon recently purchased by Mr. Scott.

Mrs. A. Muldoon received word on Tuesday of the death of her sister in Nebraska, and left immediately for that state to be at funeral services which will be held today.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hill spent a few days this week in Wheeler with their son, Mr. Hill Hill, who is employed at McKinney Mercantile Co.

Mrs. P. L. Jones was in Fort Worth first of the week.

Will Simpson of Bridgeport, was in the city Wednesday.

R. S. Miller was a Fort Worth visitor first part of the week.

J. L. Shropshire of Petrolia, visited D. Caddell and family Monday.

Tom Burnett and family, formerly of Paradise, were in the city Tuesday.

W. L. Godwin of Wolf City, was a guest of Miss Annie Caddell Tuesday.

Deputy Sheriff George Gage was in Chico Tuesday on official business.

Mr. Huntoon and S. Terrell Lillard have been in the Rio Grande valley on business.

Mrs. R. E. Shanklin of Fort Worth, was the guest first of this week of Mrs. R. S. Miller.

Charles Hunt of Bowie, was guest of his sister, Mrs. T. L. Tucker, on Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. J. L. Shropshire and daughter will arrive Monday to visit their parents and grand-parents, D. Caddell and family.

Please help us with our stage line. We will pick you up and deliver you to your house in Decatur with no extra charge. J. L. Frazier.

S. B. Johnson, the old railroad watchmaker, is here, and here to stay. Repairs all kinds of watches. All work guaranteed. Fifty years' experience.

Would you save another man's life if you knew it meant the loss of all things you hold dear? See how this question is answered in "K The Unknown" at the Majestic Monday and Tuesday.

George E. Boyd and wife of Fort Worth, formerly residents of this city were in Decatur Tuesday, visiting old friends. Mr. Boyd is in the insurance and real estate business in Polytechnic Heights.

A screen adaptation of the best known story ever written by Mary Roberts Rinehart, America's most popular author, is shown at the Majestic Monday and Tuesday. That's "K The Unknown."

Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Jones, Mrs. James McCarter and A. D. Reeves attended the funeral Monday afternoon of W. A. Brooks, widely known traveling salesman for the Waples-Platter Grocer Company, wholesalers, in Fort Worth.

Grand Master Guinn Williams, Bob Thompson, J. W. Smith, W. H. Rice, C. E. Bradford, Charles Stokes and W. O. Bailey were in Henrietta last Tuesday night, and conferred two degrees upon candidates in the Henrietta Masonic lodge.

Action, swift and real, advancing with precision and ending with a smile, characterizes "K—The Unknown," which is shown, starring dainty Virginia Valli, at the Majestic Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Jones are visiting the L. O. Miller family on the Rominger ranch, eight miles west of Bridgeport. Mr. Miller recently was made manager of the vast tract of land, and first of the week moved there from his former home in Holliday.

Miss Gertrude Chambers, who has been the guest of her sister, Miss Caroline Chambers, the home demonstration agent of Wise county, for several months, returned to her home in Dallas first of the week, to take up teaching duties in one of the schools of the metropolis.

Quarantine Placed on State Fair Live-stock

Last week the Messenger carried the announcement that A. K. Short, of the Sears-Roebuck Foundation, of Dallas, would approve the appointment of some Wise county farm boy, by the editor of the Messenger, for a free trip to the Dallas state fair to participate in the statewide judging contest in the cattle division, all expenses being paid by the Sears-Roebuck Company.

Arrangements were being made to select some energetic farm boy, when the following telegram was received yesterday, which explains the calling off of the plans of the Dallas concern:

"Dallas, Texas, September 24th. Dick Collins, Decatur, Texas: Quarantine on cattle, sheep or hogs allowed. Texas fair 1925. A. K. Short."

Mt. Zion M. E. Church.

"And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them." Acts 16:25. We will try to bring a helpful message from this text Sunday morning at Mt. Zion. A few thoughts from the occasion of the text, are: Prison bars can not separate praying souls from God. God came to this prayer meeting in the form of an earthquake. Every door was opened, and every prisoner's bands were loosed. The jailer and all his household were converted and baptised.

The Sunday night subject, "Have You Lost Christ Out of Your Life?" We are expecting a large attendance and delightful fellowship, as this is the last Sunday at Mt. Zion before the fourth quarterly conference. Outler D. Goss.

BIG QUIT BUSINESS SALE STILL CONTINUING

at LILLARD'S MISSISSIPPI STORE, and the people are taking advantage of the great reduction made in prices on all goods in this store. Remember this is one of the best and most carefully selected stocks in Wise County, new and seasonable merchandise. All is now offered to the purchasing public at prices that should appeal strongly to the man and woman who desires to save, and at the same time get the best. This great sale is the result of a decision of Mr. Lillard, the owner, to retire from the dry goods and clothing business.

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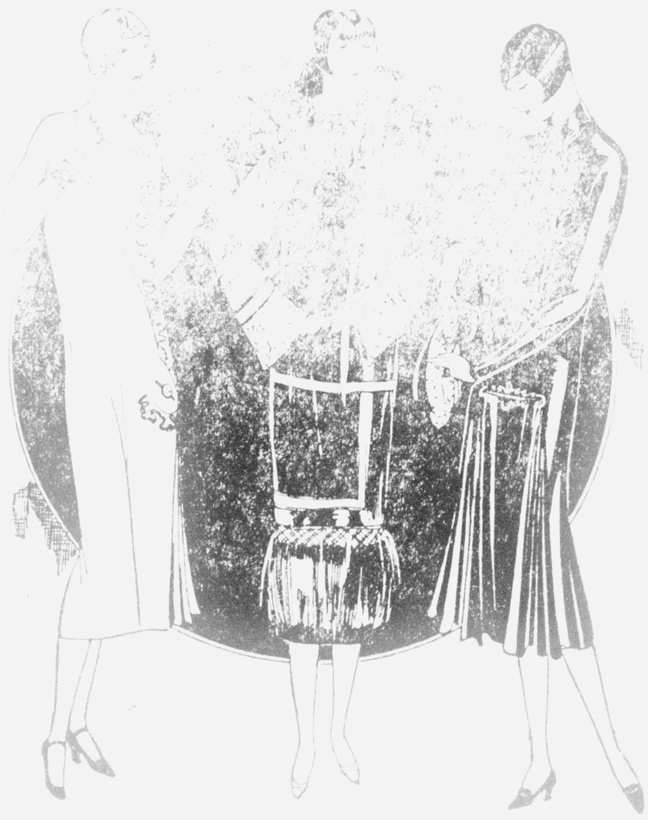

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SATIN FROCKS

$10.00 to $34.75

Beautiful new Fall styles the circular skirts with the back flares, flares at the side or front, bishop sleeves and chic collars, yoke and sleeve in one, pipings and trimmings of light colors. Popular Fall shades including Pansy, Cuckoo, Pencil Blue, Wood and Black.

It's the little things one wears that lend smartness to one's appearance. Our new and attractive displays are exceptionally chic and will appeal to you

Neckwear—Collar and cuff sets, jabots and neck pieces of lace ..... 65c to $1.95

Gloves—Of French kid, quality silks and durable fabrics ..... $1.25 to $2.50

Hosiery—Full fashioned sheer chiffon or thread silk ..... $1.00 to $2.50

Handbags—Fine leathers or quality silks in pretty shades ..... $2.50 to $10.00

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Friday Morning, September 25, 1925

Altogether for the West County Fair.

Mayor Haylock had better look to his laurels. There is a Scott in the field.

Dudley Malone says Lloyd George is "the greatest Turkey." It is the leader of a bad lot.

That Williams fellow who was fined a dozen silk stockings as his first week's work on the job when he was a constable had better get busy.

Our Commissioners' Court.

The Fair Movement.

Six out of the three months is open season for fairs in West Texas. These fairs range from the community to the district in fact, state. Each has its place and mission and its success should be measured by the good it does rather than by the monetary dividends. Some of the objects should and do comprehend the following:

1. Stimulation of improvement in livestock, including poultry, dairying, hog raising, sheep and goat raising, in fact all kinds of livestock.

2. Greater interest in agriculture with special reference to intense cultivation and diversification, seed selection and breeding, in fact everything that will assist in making agricultural pursuit more staple and profitable should have most careful attention.

3. Development of domestic, general and civic activities. This comprehends a wide scope including schools and colleges, culinary arts and many other kindred things too numerous to mention.

4. Commercial success. Not a community, town or city in West Texas is without some industrial or commercial activity. No better place is to be found to exploit these than at the fairs. Besides exploitation, a local pride results and in either or both instances dividends develop.

It's manifestation is in a concerted effort, a better knowledge of each other's resources, a better acquaintance and a closer relationship. Then there are the educational features. Premiums are worth while. The West Texas fair for the most part, if not all, offer premiums sufficient to induce competition and bring results that are worth while. The West Texas fairs for the most part, if not all, offer premiums sufficient to induce competition and bring results that are worth while. The West Texas fairs comprehend all of the ideas that are advanced and even more. They are telling the world (now all of West Texas and even more than that) how to do things. They are showing the world the resources of West Texas. Before any community is entitled to a fair it must demonstrate its ability to support one. These communities that accomplish this feature are those that are willing to make the sacrifices that are necessary to make fairs a success. Fairs that can be made to pay dividends. The fair that is the biggest success is the one that has the biggest crowd. The fair that has the biggest crowd is the one that has the best exhibits. The fair that has the best exhibits is the one that has the best premiums. The fair that has the best premiums is the one that has the best support. The fair that has the best support is the one that has the best management. The fair that has the best management is the one that has the best location. The fair that has the best location is the one that has the best transportation facilities. The fair that has the best transportation facilities is the one that has the best hotel accommodations. The fair that has the best hotel accommodations is the one that has the best entertainment. The fair that has the best entertainment is the one that has the best weather. The fair that has the best weather is the one that has the best luck. The fair that has the best luck is the one that has the best everything. The fair that has the best everything is the one that has the biggest crowd. The fair that has the biggest crowd is the one that has the biggest success. The fair that has the biggest success is the one that has the biggest dividends. The fair that has the biggest dividends is the one that has the biggest everything. The fair that has the biggest

ORGANIZATION MADE OF RECLAMATION MEN

Pursuant to an invitation from Mayor Louis Blaylock of Dallas about 150 state sanitary engineers, conservationists and reclamation engineers met Thursday in an all-day session at the city hall in Dallas, to devise ways and means for the purification of the Trinity river and for the conservation of its flood waters.

The meeting as a whole was regarded as a great success from every standpoint. Representatives from about forty towns and cities in the Trinity watershed attended. After prolonged discussion, permanent organization of the Trinity River Conservation and Reclamation Association was formed, resolutions were adopted and a plan of procedure outlined.

About thirty engineers from various parts of the state were present.

Permanent organization and program were effected on recommendation of a committee appointed for the purpose composed of B. F. Williams, John A. Norris and B. F. M. Elder. They submitted their report at the afternoon session and it was unanimously adopted as follows:

"We, the undersigned committee, desire to report that the name of the permanent organization be known as the Trinity Reclamation and Conservation Association, and propose the following as officers of said organization:

T. U. Harding, president, Dallas; C. E. Stephens, first vice president, Dallas; W. C. Wilson, second vice president, Tarrant county; and Fred Gee, third vice president, Dallas; B. F. Smith, secretary, Dallas; J. N. Norris, assistant secretary and treasurer, Dallas.

"The board of directors shall be composed of one member from each incorporated town and city and three from each county on the Trinity watershed and its tributaries. The director in each city to be appointed by the respective city council and the director at large from each county to be appointed by the commissioners' court. It shall be the duty of the president of this organization to get in touch with the city council of the several cities and with the commissioners' courts of the various counties within the watershed and the Trinity river and have each of them select its director as provided herein.

"The purpose of this organization shall be to work toward the conservation and reclamation of the flood waters of the Trinity river and its tributaries, and to cooperate with the United States government in the improvement of the Trinity river and its tributaries for navigation, flood control and irrigation purposes."

New Ford Touring Car Attracting Attention

A capacity of a lot of people is being stretched this week.

Ever since the announcement of the improved Ford cars was made just about every man, woman and child in town has been on the alert for a glimpse of the new cars.

A few of the touring cars reached dealers during the last week, but not near enough of them were distributed to satisfy the curiosity of the people here. In the first place, every dealer experienced some difficulty in securing cars, some were only able to get one, and in the second place, after the dealer got the car he had a hard time keeping it, someone wanted to buy it right away.

Several hundred people, however, have been able to get a peep at the new touring cars and everyone one of them is firmly convinced that they are attractive automobiles.

The Decatur Motor Company is expecting the coming week to bring to them all the new body types, both open and closed. If this transpires, as it seems certain that the dealer now with them will become, they will be from five to ten cars in town, for everybody to look Sunday who has not been seen to see and inspect all the new closed to attend the services of God's house. Let us make Sunday a great day for the church. Rev. E. Hall

Methodists Will Have Special Layman Night

"The Church as an Asset to the Community" is the general topic of a special layman's service at the Methodist church Sunday evening at seven-thirty. T. H. Wright will preside. The program follows:

Song.

Scripture lesson, Psalm 84:1-4, J. Thompson.

Prayer—Granger Elwell.

Offertory.

Paradise quartet.

"The Church as an Asset to the Business Life"—Dr. P. J. Fullingim.

"The Church as an Asset to the Social Life"—F. A. Davenport.

Quartet.

"The Church as an Asset to the Home Life"—Guinn Williams.

Quartet.

"The Church's Relation to the Spiritual Life"—Shelby Boyd.

"What a Layman Owes to the Church"—H. W. Barton.

Benediction.

Be not late the program. The

CAR SWINDLER FOUND BY COUNTY OFFICERS

[illegible] and Sheriff Newman and Deputy George Cope arrested Lavern Herndon, whose name has been on the criminal docket at the jail for several weeks. Herndon is charged with stealing an Chevrolet car in Alvord, which Fulton was found in that town. In the game he got hold of the amount of money secured by Fulton against a [illegible] of Mr. Bergquist in case of [illegible]. The car was taken from Fulton and it was then that he realized he had been [illegible].

He [illegible] and his wife left Alvord in the car Fulton came to Decatur [illegible] and [illegible] and [illegible] the local depot [illegible] on the lookout for the car. [illegible] Fulton [illegible] the car [illegible] Horses [illegible] and after a [illegible] the officers were [illegible] Mr. Bergquist [illegible] Herndon [illegible] The car [illegible]

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Concrete Streets in TEXAS

Wichita Falls has more than 500,000 square yards of concrete pavement—10 square yards per capita.

The concrete pavement on Scott Street was laid in 1915. For ten years it has carried the heavy traffic of the business district. During that time only simple, inexpensive maintenance has been necessary to keep the pavement as good as when built. On many other Wichita Falls streets concrete has given the same satisfactory service.

It is not surprising therefore that the taxpayers of Wichita Falls are adding nearly 200,000 square yards to the city's paved street system this year.

Wichita Falls is known as "The City That Faith Built." Her citizens have pride in the present and vision for the future. Concrete pavements have helped this faith because they are a town-builder.

What about the streets in your town?

[illegible] by the Portland Cement Association
[illegible] Street, Chicago

PORTLAND CEMENT ASSOCIATION
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DALLAS, TEXAS
A National Organization to Improve and Extend the Uses of Concrete
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Little Wastes That Cost You Money

As material for further study in the economical use of natural gas, we suggest that the housewife watch and correct the wastes she may find in the cooking process itself.

First, no food can be raised to a higher heat than boiling in an open vessel. Yet it is not uncommon to put on a vessel full of cold water, turn on all the gas possible until it boils, and then leave the gas on full. The flame should always be turned down as soon as the boiling point is reached, leaving just enough to maintain that point.

Second, the gas is frequently lighted several minutes before it is needed, and often left to burn several minutes after the vessel is removed. This is absolute waste.

[illegible] can be prevented with a [illegible] prepared by [illegible] required, the contents [illegible] to be raised to the required degree in a large burner, and [illegible] moved to the simmerer, [illegible] be maintained for [illegible]

[illegible] of gas are wasted [illegible] either on the range [illegible] heating plants [illegible] for than the boiling point, [illegible] ary. Every bit of steam [illegible] represents a waste of gas.

The economies we urge are small in themselves but in the course of a year they may mean a very considerable amount of money as well as the waste of the heating, the supply of which cannot be renewed.

LONE STAR GAS CO.

Baptist Church.

Next Sunday is the end of the third quarter of the year, and the honor roll for this quarter will be printed about the 12th of October. This will give those who may be behind on their payments to the church budget an opportunity to catch up and make the honor roll the biggest this quarter that it has been this year.

We had many visitors with us last Sunday, and their presence is always appreciated.

Golf Club Establishes New Officers at Meet

A meeting of Decatur Golf Club was held Tuesday evening in the county court room, and a representative attendance was present. The progress of the golf club has been remarkable, according to revelations at the meeting, and the town is indeed fortunate in having such a live membership in the organization.

Considerable time was consumed in discussing the finance of the organization at the meeting, and the members are notified that their dues for the three months ending with September are now due and should be paid by October 1st at the First National Bank.

R. M. Findley was appointed manager of the golf course for the month of October, and H. M. Foster was made the keeper of the course for the same period.

D. B. C. TO HOLD BIG OPEN HOUSE

A get-together and get-acquainted meeting of considerable interest has been planned to take place at Decatur College this (Friday) evening, beginning at eight o'clock and continuing for two hours. The general purpose for the gathering is that a more closely cultivated friendship may be formed between the students of the college and the people of the town.

The college chapel will be tastefully lighted for the occasion and all entertaining features will be used in the effort to get a full attendance. Miss Mary Moore, head of the Expression Department, will be in charge of the program. Miss Ruth Bell, of the Decatur Baptist Executive Office, will be master of ceremonies. Miss Mary McMurray, talented pianist, of Mrs. Coulter's music college faculty, interesting piano will also be played by those attending principally concerts. Refreshments will be served by girls of the institution.

Messenger's principal purpose in this announcement is to urge Decatur people to attend the get-acquainted fiesta. Chairman P. M. Cherry says "Everybody's invited."

Actress Has Simplest Desires for Home Life

Virginia Valli, star in "K. The Unknown," Universal feature to be shown at the Majestic Theatre Monday and Tuesday, has been more tempted with the allurements of wealth and success than most girls who [illegible]

[illegible] Mrs. Wesley Barry [illegible] Pasadena [illegible] Mrs. Barry [illegible] Mrs. Barry [illegible] Mrs. Barry

D. B. C. AND D. H. S. TO PLAY FIRST GAMES

Footballishly speaking, Friday will be a big day for Decatur fans, and some of the hot air which has been wasted for so many days concerning Cats, Steers and Crackers, should be directed toward the gridirons at Decatur and Waco, where the Eagles and Indians meet other elevens for the first time this season. And then there's probably the biggest battle in the Union up in Indiana, where the champion Micks of Notre Dame will of Baylor. If the Texans should win this affair, wouldn't the sport moguls up north give more than a sidewise glance to the Lone Star state?

The Baylor Reserves will be the first gridiron opponent of the Decatur College Indians this year. They will face the local squad on the Waco field tomorrow, Saturday, in a game that should tell, to a large extent, how the eleven that Coaches Dickson and Nely have rounded out will face the gaff during the remainder of the season.

Two open dates, October 2nd and 23rd, are itching to be filled, Statesman Coach Dickson. All remaining Fridays are filled to the last game of the season on Thanksgiving when the Wichita Falls Junior College teams invades Decatur with a new (if admittedly dangerous) bunch of huskies.

The first home game of the season is scheduled with the Decatur Freshmen, Friday October 9th. The Freshmen clashed with the Steers last year and the Wise County boys were victorious.

Question of Whether a Man Can Get Hat to Fit His Head Settled by Display of Stetsons

MESSENGER PRODIGY EXPLAINS IT ALL

Say, folks! Did you read that article in last week's Messenger about the display of Stetson hats in the show window of Perkins-Timberlake Company? If so, did you go see the show? If you didn't go see it you missed something. The writer didn't even know it was there until he read about it in the Messenger. This proves that it makes no difference how ignorant one may be by nature he can always learn something if he will read the Messenger and cherish its precepts.

It is not our purpose, in writing about this window display this week, to write an advertisement for stetson hats. We don't know how to write an advertisement and couldn't write one even if we were hired by the day. This display was certainly an eye opener to us on hat making. Reader just imagine, if you can, a forty-two inch silk ribbon in one year for ladies hat trimming for hats. Mighty big head women's hats, we'll say.

Then for your amused thrill, imagine eight hundred and twenty-six cardboard to hold one year's output. The prospects are bright for a more successful year's work.

The school board is composed of L. M. Nickson, president; J. G. M. Carroll, secretary; M. L. Mooney, A. H. Davis, J. S. Hays, W. A. Price, G. H. Lee, W. Bailey, H. D. Darling. Staff of teachers for the year is: [illegible] English and Latin; Miss Mary Hall, Mathematics; Miss Ruth Bell, English and History; Miss Ruth Bell, English and History; Miss Ruth Bell, English and History

Child Labor Law Passed by Thirty-Ninth

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PENALTIES PRESCRIBED FOR EMPLOYERS

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Legislature Became Effective June 19, 1925

Section 1. Any person or any agent or employe of any person, firm or co-poration who shall hereafter employ any child under the age of fifteen (15) years to labor in or about any factory, mill, workshop, laundry, or in messenger service in towns and cities of more than fifteen thousand population, according to the federal census, except as hereinafter provided, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction in a court of competent jurisdiction, shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty five dollars ($25.00) nor more than two hundred dollars ($200.00) or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than sixty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Provided that nothing in this act shall be construed as affecting the employment of children on farms, ranches, dairies or other agricultural or stock raising pursuits.

Section 2. Any person, or agent or employe of any person, firm or corporation who shall hereafter employ any child under the age of seventeen (17) years to labor in any [illegible] or who having control of or employed [illegible] any child [illegible] person, firm or corporation [illegible] which could have been ascertained upon reasonable inquiry on the part of such person, firm or corporation having control of such child shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction in any court of competent jurisdiction shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty dollars ($50.00) nor more than five hundred dollars ($500.00) or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed sixty (60) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of every person, firm or corporation, their agents or employes, having in their employ or under their control any child under the age of seventeen (17) years doing a messenger or delivery business, or whose employes may be required to deliver any message, package, merchandise or other thing, before sending any such child on such errand, to first ascertain if such child is being sent or is to be sent to any place prohibited in Section 2 of this act. Failure or refusal to comply with this section shall subject any person, firm or corporation, their agents or employes, having the control of such child or children to the penalties prescribed in Section 2 of this act.

Section 4. Any person, firm or corporation, their agents or employes, having in their employ or under their control any child under the age of fifteen (15) years who shall require or permit any such child to work [illegible] for more than eight (8) hours in any day or who shall employ such child or permit such child to work between the hours of ten o'clock p. m. and six o'clock a. m. of the following day, or who shall employ such child for more than six days in any one week, or who shall employ such child without having provided for such child a period of not less than thirty minutes during the noon hour thereof, in addition to the time required for the noon meal, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction in any court of competent jurisdiction shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty five dollars ($25.00) nor more than one hundred ($100.00) dollars; provided that nothing herein shall apply to those engaged in agricultural pursuits.

Section 5. Any person, firm or corporation, their agents or employes, having in their employ or under their control any child under the age of sixteen (16) years who shall require or permit any such child to work [illegible] for more than eight (8) hours in any day or who shall employ such child or permit such child to work between the hours of ten o'clock p. m. and six o'clock a. m. of the following day, or who shall employ such child for more than six days in any one week, or who shall employ such child without having provided for such child a period of not less than thirty minutes during the noon hour thereof, in addition to the time required for the noon meal, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction in any court of competent jurisdiction shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty five dollars ($25.00) nor more than one hundred ($100.00) dollars; provided that nothing herein shall apply to those engaged in agricultural pursuits, and that it shall not be employed in or around any mill, factory, workshop, or other place where dangerous machinery is used, or where the moral or physical condition of the child is liable to be injured, and that the earnings of such child are necessary for the support of such invalid parent, widowed mother in needy circumstances, or of younger children, and that such support can not be obtained in any other manner and that suitable employment has been obtained for such child, which sworn statement shall be accompanied by a certificate of a licensed physician showing that such child is physically able to perform the work or labor for which the permit is sought, issue a permit for such child to enter such employment. Every person, firm or corporation employing any such child between the ages of twelve (12) years and fifteen (15) years shall post in a conspicuous place where such child is employed, the permit issued by the county judge; provided that no permit shall be issued for a longer period than twelve (12) months, but may be renewed from time to time upon satisfactory evidence being produced that the conditions under which the former permit was issued still exist and that the physical or mental condition of such child is not being impaired thereby. In every case where a permit is sought for any child between the ages of twelve (12) years and fifteen (15) years, the parent, guardian or other person in charge or control of such child shall appear before the county judge in person with such child for whom a permit is sought before such permit shall be issued. There shall be nothing in this act to prevent the working of school children of any age from June 1st to September 1st of each year except that they shall not be permitted to work in factory, mill, workshop, and the places mentioned in Sections 2 and 5 of this act; nor shall their hours of labor conflict with Section 4 of this act.

Section 6. The Commissioner of Labor Statistics, or any of his deputies or inspectors shall have free access during working hours to all the places where children or minors are employed, and any owner, manager, superintendent, foreman or other person in authority, who shall refuse to admit or in any way hinder or deter the said commissioner or any of his deputies or inspectors from entering or remaining in such place, or from collecting information with respect to the employment of children as provided in this act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction of any court of competent jurisdiction shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty five ($25.00) dollars; nor more than one hundred ($100.00) dollars; provided that nothing herein shall apply to those engaged in agricultural pursuits.

Section 7. Provided that nothing in this act shall be construed as prohibiting the employment by any person or nurses, maids, yard-servants, or others for private homes and families, regardless of their ages.

Section 8. All laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 9. If any of the provisions of this act shall be declared by any proper judicial action to be unconstitutional, that fact shall not operate to invalidate other provisions of the bill.

Section 10. The fact that the present law governing the employment of children is inadequate in this state, proscribing the occupation that children under certain age may follow, defining the ages under which said children shall not be employed in certain occupation, and limiting the hours of service of said children creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days suspended, and it is so enacted.

BRIDGEPORT NEWS

(Index.)

Mrs. Ike Killough and little girl, Miss Olivet, were here from Eastland Saturday on a visit to the family of her brother, W. M. Simpson.

Cashier Frank Turner and daughter, Miss Opal, went to Dallas last Friday, where the young lady is to attend Southern Methodist University the coming school year.

Bridgeport is the gainer a fine citizen by reason of having a good public school. J. F. Koeninger moved his family here from Paradise last week to give his children the advantage of a good school. They live at the Helm place northeast of the school building.

Miss Lisle John left for San Antonio Monday to begin her third year as head of the English department of Westmoreland College. Westmoreland College is one of the state's best educational institutions and three years at the head of one of its most important departments is an achievement of which the young lady has a right to feel proud, and no doubt does.

Our community lost a mighty good citizen last week in the person of J. D. Walker, who has moved his family to Wellington, Collingsworth county, to live. Mr. Walker has lived in this vicinity many years and made us a citizen we can ill afford to part with. As superintendent of the Methodist Sunday school and in other church work he leaves a vacancy that will not be easily filled. We hope he finds the west all that imagination has pictured it.

SHILOH NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Nevidson visited Mr. and Mrs. W. Vaughan last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ford Gates spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ace.

Remember singing here on Sunday afternoon. Everybody is invited to come.

Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan called on Mrs. Howell Evans Sunday afternoon.

CHICO NEWS

Review.

Miss Alice Jones left first of the week for Louisiana, where she will teach in a woman's college.

Mrs. A. V. Hanna and Miss Virgie left Wednesday for Electra, where two of the girls will teach in the public school this fall and winter.

Heavy rains in Oklahoma along the Rock Island railroad which were the cause of washouts and delayed trains first of the week, also damaged crops to some extent.

R. Booth and Wes Stephens went to Wizard Wells Thursday. They had a jug or two and said they were going after mineral water.

There are twenty in the graduating class in the Chico high school this term, eleven boys and nine girls.

Loss Shults and family left first of the week for Carter, Oklahoma, where they will probably make their home.

Methodist Church.

Our Sunday school is still growing. We had quite a number of new ones out Sunday. We have a place for you. Be on hand next Sunday at nine forty-five.

We are planning to make the roll call a special feature of the morning service. We are very anxious to have all members present for this occasion. We shall sing a few old songs and have some short talks. If you are a member of the church be in your pew, and if you are not a member we have a warm welcome for you.

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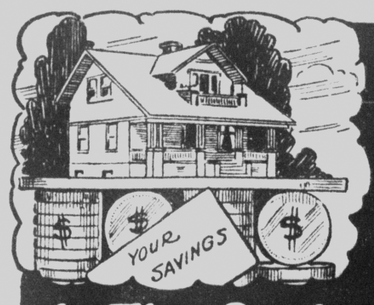

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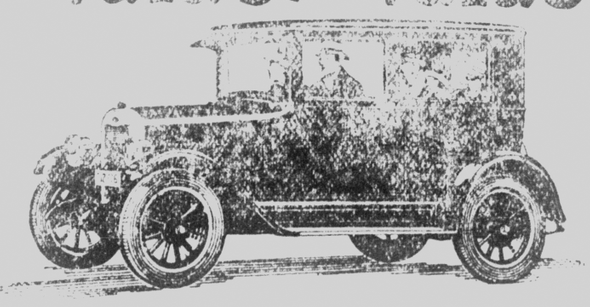

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